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In re Application of

Ghasripoor, et al.

Application No. 10/813,102

Filed: March 30, 2004

Attorney Docket No. 129274-1/YOD

GERD:0084

For: SEALING DEVICE AND METHOD

FOR TURBOMACHINERY

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed February 27, 2006 (certificate of mailing date August 2, 2005), under 37 CFR 1.137(b) to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely submit a reply within 30 days of the mailing of the February 11, 2005 Office action. No response being received, this application became abandoned on March 14, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on May 23, 2005.

Applicants have submitted a property rights declaration in reply to the February 11, 2005 Office action, an acceptable statement of the unintentional nature of the delay in responding to the February 11, 2005 Office action, and authorization to charge the petition fee to deposit account no. 07-0868. Pursuant to petitioners' authorization, the Office will charge the required \$1,500.00 petition fee to the aforementioned deposit account.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

After the mailing of this decision the application will be forwarded to Technology Center AU 3745.

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